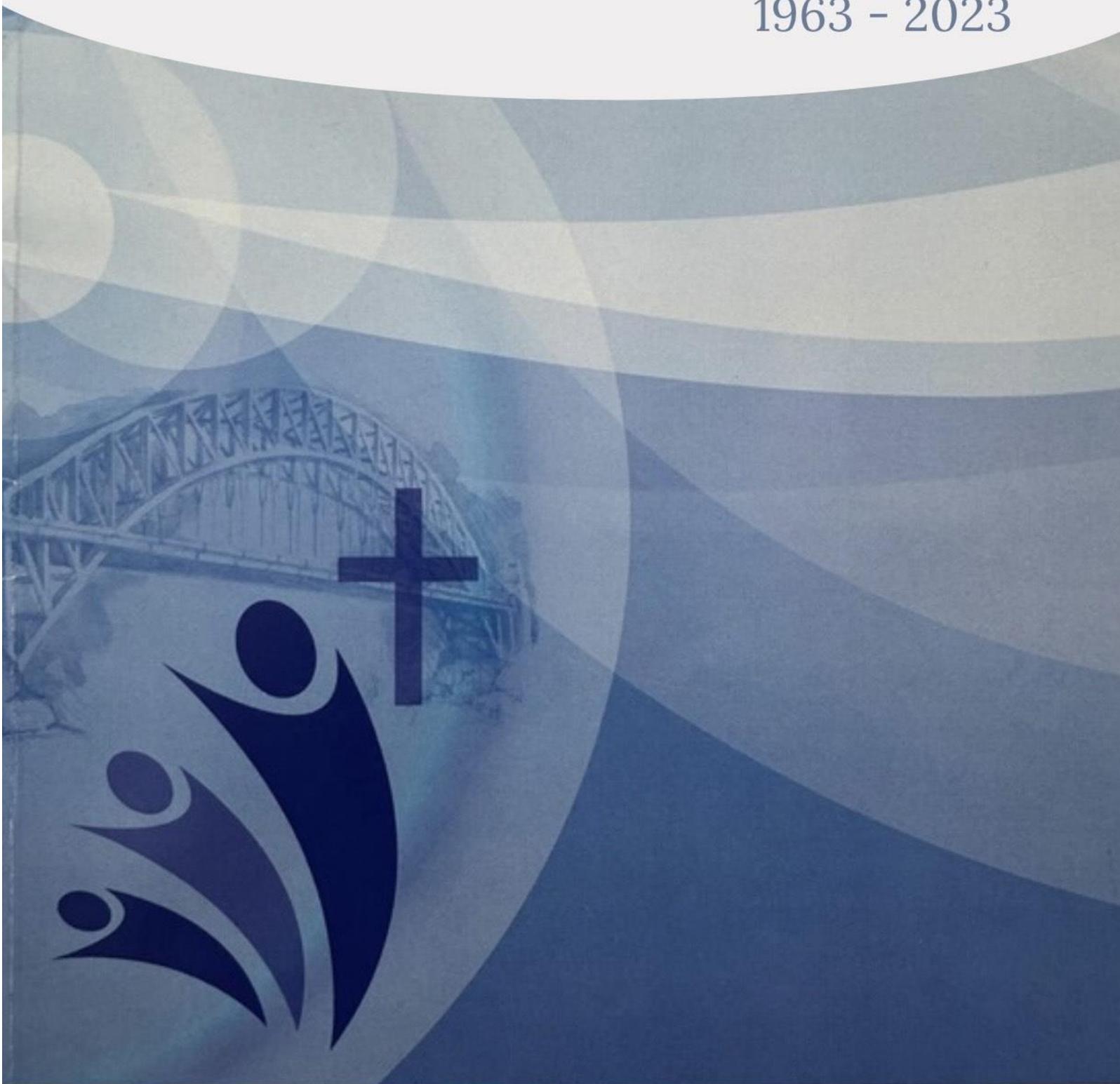


A HISTORY OF  
**Our Lady Help of Christians**  
**Murtoa**  
1963 - 2023



*The water is still flowing...*

under the bridge *60 years* on.



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CELEBRATE 200 YEARS OF SERVICE IN 2007.  
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OF NATIMUK IN 2007. IT RECOGNISES THE SERVICE OF  
THE BRIGIDINE ORDER TO MURTOA IN PROVIDING  
STAFF FOR THE SCHOOL FROM 1963 – 1973.

## A word from Monsignor Glynn Murphy

### Parish Congratulations!

*As Parish Priest of St Paul VI Parish, of which the faithful community at Murtoa is an integral part, it is my happy opportunity to offer prayers and best wishes for all involved in the faith and education community of **Our Lady Help of Christians School, Murtoa**, on this 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of continuous, dedicated service to guiding the education of young lives.*

*Fr Matt and I, with all parishioners, wish past and present students, families and staff many happy memories as you mark your days at 'OLHC' over the past six decades.*

*The future builds on the past – and as such, OLHC's future has strong foundations at the school!*

*Supporting that future is a new building project, that will rejuvenate the educational resources and learning environment for future students at 'Our Lady's'. I know that Our Lady herself will also pray God's blessing over the school in future years, as she cares for her 'extended family'. (Being many families, so far.)*

*May the Holy Spirit guide and protect all who continue to be the 'life and learning', in faith, at OLHC Murtoa! Ad Multos Annos!*



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## **PRE HISTORY 1872-1963** (Compiled by Mrs Jenny Rabl)

The story of Catholic Education in Murtoa goes back long before the establishment of Our Lady Help of Christians School in 1963. Generations of dedicated catechists, priests and visiting nuns, not forgetting devoted parents instructed the children of the Church, preparing them for First Communion, Confession and Confirmation.

Mr Brock from the Railways was a catechist remembered by one of our senior parishioners. "He was a stern man, but a good teacher." Dorrie Turvey, later a Poor Clare nun, and Anastasia Pollard (Mrs Tooley) were other early catechists.

Mention would have to be made of Sophie Rabl's record of 50 years service as catechist to several generations of children, and her unswerving resolution to seeing that they knew and understood the basics of their faith. Her instruction was thorough and sound, and many who received lessons from her, and then went on to Catholic Secondary Schools found they were not disadvantaged. Others received all their teaching from Miss Rabl and their own parents, and were faithful Catholics all their days. For years the children were questioned on their catechism at Mass – at least 15 minutes was devoted to this by the priest every Sunday. Embarrassed parents listened to their nervous offspring stammer through their answers. I think this ceased about the early 1950's and later two of the nuns from Horsham came out and spent time with the children after early Mass, while the priest went on to Rupanyup.

## **PRELIMINARIES**

Talk of a Catholic School for Murtoa had been tossed around for many years. Father John Day had ideas in that direction around 1950, but no definite move was made. Then about 1955, Father Dan O'Connell suggested the possibility and a rough survey of numbers began. The Catholic Women's Social Guild (League) commenced raising money towards the School Building Fund.

About 1961, when Father Lynch was Parish Priest, Bishop O'Collins directed that the hour was at hand and a committee under the chairmanship of Father Pat King commenced the preliminary discussions and plans. John O'Halloran (SEC Manager) was secretary, Bert Grigg was treasurer – ex officio and other committee members were Kath Delahunty, Jenny Rabl, Jack Delahunty for Murtoa, and Mary Jess and Michael Murphy representing Rupanyup.

## **LETTERS RECEIVED**

On May 5<sup>th</sup> 1961 this very important letter was received:

*Brigidine Convent  
High Street  
Malvern S.E.*

*Reverend P King  
S.S. Michael & John's  
Roberts Avenue  
Horsham.*

*Dear Reverend Father,*

*I have received your letter of the 27<sup>th</sup> April.*

*Reverend Mother General has given her permission for two sisters to travel to Murtoa from Horsham each day.*

*I hereby promise to send these nuns to Murtoa in February 1963. I am sure their transport will be arranged. I am happy to be able to give this pleasure to all concerned.*

*With every best wish,*

*Yours sincerely in J.C.*

*M. PIUS KENNEDY csb*  
*Mother Provincial*

Now firm plans could be made. The site for the school has been given by Mr. And Mrs. J.F. Delahunty some years before and had been set aside for a new church as well as a school. The land had been subdivided into housing blocks in the early 1920's when it was expected that the development of the freezing works would see a demand for housing. This did not eventuate and the land remained a paddock.

## **BEGINNING THE SCHOOL**

In July 1961 Father King sent the map of Murtoa to Mr R Appleford, architect, of East Camberwell and a School plan was obtained through Father Shelly of the Catholic Education Office, Ballarat. The school was to be sited on the corner of Munro and Collins Street, and two more blocks to the west, fronting Munro Street were purchased from Mr A. Grantley of Koo Wee Rup, to complete the frontage of the site.

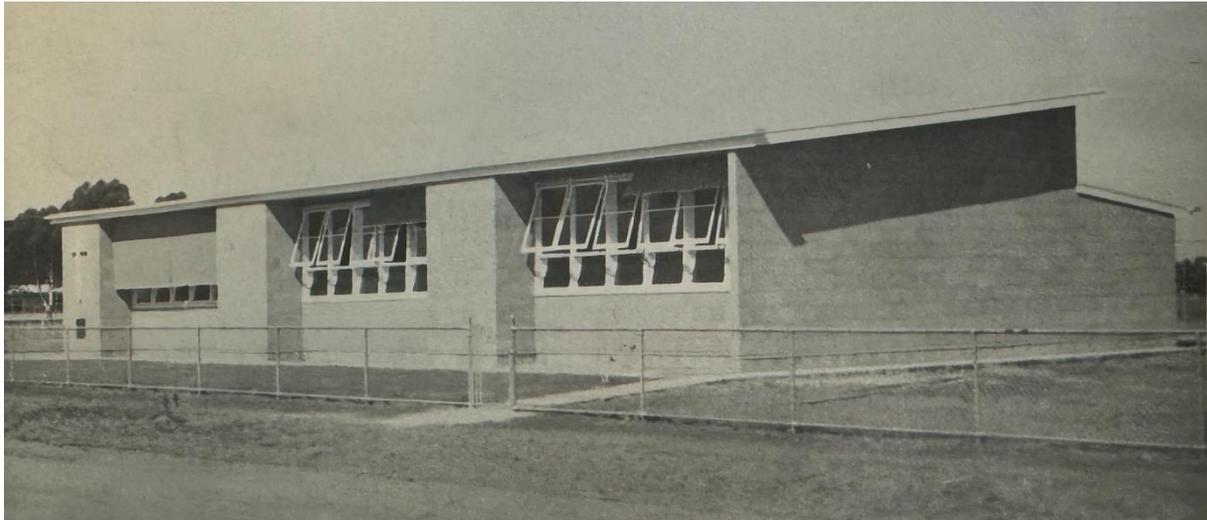
By September 1961 the school plan and specifications were approved and Perc Coutts of Horsham was the chosen builder. Masonry veneer was to be the finish for the school as the Bishop was impressed with the low maintenance of this material from which the Dunmunkle Shire Office had been constructed a few years previously.

The building made quite rapid progress through 1961 – 1962 and by May 1962 Father O'Hagan had arrived and was enquiring about Bishop O'Collin's return from the Second Vatican Council in order to set a date for the blessing and opening of the school. A tentative date was given – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> January 1963, but in November Father O'Hagan was notified that the Bishop would not be available until mid March 1963.

Approval was given by the Shire Council for the closure of Smith Street, to the west of the school block, and this enabled the large sports area to be planned for.

Father O'Hagan and his committee were busy with the final details for the rest of the year, ordering desks, a sound system, air conditioners, and a car for the nuns and the foundation stone for the dedication. From Mrs Leopoldine Mimovich of Yarraville, Father ordered two carved wood crucifixes and a statue of Our Lady Help of Christians. The name of the school was Father's choice as under this title Our Lady is patroness of the Guild (C.W.L.).

The Guild at this stage and for a number of years acted as Mother's Club, and money was raised for many necessary extras for the school – a piano, television, sewing machine, library books, shelves and a duplicator. The mothers also decided on a uniform for the boys and girls, predominantly blue and grey with some maroon.



**The 1962 roll call of prospective pupils for the school revealed: -**

35 children	Under 5 years	
8 children	7 - 8 years	Grade 2
9 children	8 - 9 years	Grade 3
2 children	9 years	Grade 4
6 children	9 - 10 years	Grade 5
10 children	10 - 12 years	Grade 6
9 children	12 - 13 years	Form 1

with 38 possible students from Rupanyup

At this stage it was thought that the school might extend to Forms 1 and 2 with the library as an extra classroom, and some help from the High School, but this was never a practical possibility.

**OPENING**

On 14<sup>th</sup> January 1963 the approximate number to start school were: -

9 children	Prep	9 children	Grade 1
10 children	Grade 2	8 - 11 children	Grade 3
10 - 11 children	Grade 4	3 - 4 children	Grade 5
6 - 7 children	Grade 6		

A total of 61 at most, with 53 being the eventual number

On January 2<sup>nd</sup>, Father O'Hagan had written to congratulate Mother Ethna of Traralgon on her appointment as Principal of the school. Various details of management were outlined, including the purchase of a car, and Father O'Hagan concluded:-

"I beg you to learn to drive and get your licence before you come to Murtoa. There will be little enough time for that here."

Mother Ethna and her assistant Mother de Porres were the first teachers – (all the Brigidine nuns were accorded the title of Mother at that time, and it became Sister a few years later).



The crowd gathered for the official opening

**School commenced early February 1963 and the official opening and blessings was performed by Bishop O'Collins on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 1963 before a large gathering which included representatives of local government, other local churches, and a large contingent of Brigidine Sisters, resplendent in their traditional habits.**



Guard of Honour for Bishop O'Collins



L-R: Ian McLennan, Tony Rhoden, Jack Turvey, Jim McMahon, with Rody Delahunty at the back

### **An extract from the “Dunmunkle Standard”, March 1963**

#### **“Catholic school opens new era for Parish”**

“Described by speakers as a beginning of a new era in the religious life of the parish, Murtoa’s new Catholic school, “Our Lady Help of Christians”, was blessed and officially opened last Sunday by the Bishop of Ballarat, the most Rev.J.P. O’Collins.

The attendance of approximately 400, included parliamentary and shire representatives, and many visitors from all parts of the diocese.

Addressing the gathering after the ceremony, His Lordship paid tribute to the people of Murtoa and district for their long struggle to establish the school here. He mentioned particularly the generosity of the Delahunty family who had contributed materially to assist the venture, and also those who had worked consistently over the years to bring the project to fruition.

Those who had drawn up the plans deserved special praise also, for the school was the most up-to- date he had ever seen, and the first to incorporate a refrigerated cooling system for the comfort of the sisters and pupils.

The setting up of Catholic schools was of paramount importance, for it was impossible to separate religious training from ordinary education, and this was not carried out in the State school, Bishop O’Collins declared.

He considered that as well as the basic instruction of today, the children must be trained in heart and mind to live their lives according to their faith.

“They should be taught to love God unto all eternity,” he said.

This was done in Catholic schools, but not to the detriment of ordinary education, for there was never any criticism of their standard.

The schools were inspected regularly by Education Department inspectors, and they repeatedly stated that the standard was at least equal to that in State schools. It appeared now that at last some assistance would be forthcoming from the government.

“All we are asking for is justice, for we all pay taxes (both directly and indirectly) toward the cost of educating our children, and it is only fair that we receive back some money for our church schools,” he said.

Bishop O’Collins said he was delighted to have the opportunity of opening the school, which had borne out the glowing reports of Murtoa people he had received from various priests stationed here.

This was also exemplified by the wonderful work of Miss Sophie Rabl, who had recently resigned as catechism teacher at the school.

From his examination of children for Confirmation, he considered there was none better skilled in inculcating the doctrine of Catholicism.

### **Big step forward**

Chairman of proceedings was Rev.Fr. Dwyer, of Horsham, who said the opening of the school was a big step forward in the Catholic life of Murtoa. The people of the district must feel very proud of their achievement, he said.

Welcomes to the Bishop were extended by the Parish Priest (Rev. Fr. Lynch) and the Shire President (Cr. G.H. Hemphill), who said the new school must play a big part in the development of the Shire of Dunmunkle.

### **Continued support needed**

An appeal for funds, to redeem the debt on the building was launched by Rev. Fr. John Kirby. The school was opened at the time of crisis in Catholic education, he declared. Some people thought help would soon be received from the Government for church schools, but others were of the opinion that there was still a long and bitter struggle ahead. At present, Catholic schools were penalised in a land of the free, where freedom of thought was taken as the accepted thing. “We are not asking for charity, concession or grants, but merely justice and sympathetic understanding.” Fr. Kirby said. The school had been erected by the faith of the people of Murtoa and Rupanyup, and he urged a continuance of that faith.

He knew of the generosity of the people of the district, and he was sure that generosity would continue. Commending the appeal to all, he said the efforts to date had been blessed with success, but still remained to be done.

A collection taken up for the appeal received a ready response, more than £850 being contributed by those present.

At the conclusion of formalities, the official party was served afternoon tea in the library of the school and the school was opened for inspection.”



Mother Ethna and Sister Martin de Porres with the first enrolment of children in 1963



The 125th Anniversary of St Mary's Church. Bernadette Delahunty, Caroline West, Pat Coutts, Bishop Peter Connors, Kath Jose, Mary Rabl and Maureen Delahunty

## School Advisory Council & Parents and Friends

Since the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the school, a significant change has occurred in the way schools are governed. Our Lady's is now governed by Diocese of Ballarat Catholic Education Limited (DOBCEL), which oversees 63 schools across the Diocese of Ballarat. Belonging to this system of schools allows for Our Lady's to benefit from resources, staff, and experience beyond Murtoa and the Wimmera. It also ties us in to the wider educational work of the universal Church. The vision of DOBCEL, expressed in the statement below, speaks to the significance of our work in Catholic Education:

*As partners in Catholic Education,  
open to God's presence,  
we pursue fullness of life for all.*

The School Advisory Council still exists and plays an important part in the life of the school. Acting in an advisory capacity, the SAC brings the voice of parents and the community to the school, and gives feedback on works undertaken by the school. The Parents and Friends group also acts in this fashion, but focuses more on fundraising efforts, providing support for school functions, and bringing about opportunities for students. Both of these groups have been well supportive over the life of the school, and building projects, the development of the grounds, resources used in classrooms, and experiences offered to students, would have been impossible without the dedication of members from these bodies.

It is in keeping with the founding of Our Lady's that lay people predominantly provide the support necessary for a school to flourish. OLHC benefits greatly from the presence and prayers of the parish and assistant priests, no doubt, but are blessed further by the P&F and SAC. We look forward to another 60 years and more with these parent bodies, working in collaboration with the School and DOBCEL, seeking the best outcomes for students at Our Lady's.



The children were very excited when a bulldozer came to begin the work on the long awaited basketball court which finally got underway in 2012

## A Word from the Principal, Chris McCumstie



It is a pleasure working with the students, staff and families at Our Lady Help of Christians School each day. When I first arrived at the school, in mid-2023, I was blown away by the school grounds. Here we had a school that had been well loved, over decades, by the whole community. Beautiful gardens, statues, religious icons, murals and playgrounds were situated all across the school, and these spaces made me happy, just as they make the community happy. Parents have told me that the reason they choose to send their children to Our Lady's is because they feel warm and welcome when they come on site. This happiness reminds me of G.K. Chesterton's wisdom: "The test of all happiness is gratitude." and I have since found out the long list of people responsible for the happiness in our school. It would be remiss of me on the occasion of our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary not to mention some of those to whom we all owe a debt of gratitude.

Firstly, God has clearly blessed the initiative of the lay men and women who desired a school in Murtoa. Those founding families, together with priests and bishops, are responsible for all that came after the school's inception in the 1950s and 60s.

Secondly, I thank the Brigidine nuns who staffed the school for the first decade and passed on the Brigidine charism. St Brigid's crosses, images, and poems are in many places around our school and would not be so if not for the help of these good women.

Thirdly, gratitude is owed to the staff and principals who make the core business of our school possible. Teaching and learning in the Catholic tradition does not happen by accident. Rather, it takes the tireless dedication of teachers and leaders to enact a vision and to teach not the curriculum, but the children! Special mention, I feel, must be made of Anne Newton and Veronica Slattery. Long serving leaders are able to build a culture and develop a school better than those who only spend a season or two in a place. Not wishing at all to diminish the hard work, love, knowledge and expertise of other teachers and staff, I feel that we all owe Veronica and Anne our heartfelt thanks for their role in our school's history. Our Lady's would not be what it is today without them, and we all enjoy the fruit of their hard work.

I am also personally indebted to Cathy Grace, from whom I took over last year. Cathy worked hard in our school, especially in the areas of learning and student well-being.

Finally, it is clear that the way Our Lady's began was the way it continued. Lay-men and women, namely the families who send their children to our school, have always worked in support of this initiative. Working bees, building projects, fundraising, resourcing, mentoring and volunteering are just a few of the many ways our families have built this community. We exist to offer families a faith-based education option in Murtoa, and those families who have chosen this option have always given back. Thank you.

As we gather for the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the school, I am struck by the number of students who are second, or even third generation members of our school. Parents who attended our school send their children here. Grandparents who come to celebrate liturgies with us attended the school themselves. I am fortunate to have the opportunity to work with this community. May we all continue to work for our students, that they may flourish. And may God continue to bless Our Lady Help of Christians School.

Chris McCumstie, Principal. 2024

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Awakenings is the Religious Education curriculum used at Our Lady's. The curriculum is used in all the primary and secondary Catholic schools across the Ballarat Diocese. Religious Education is taught in the classrooms each day and Masses or Liturgies on special occasion days such as the school's feast day, Mother's Day, Father's Day, the Grade Six Graduation as well as opening the school year are wonderful opportunities for the children to participate in. The school cooperates with the sacramental program run by the St Paul VI Parish, Wimmera-Mallee. The assistant priest, together with the families who desire the sacraments for their children, work for several weeks together to prepare for each sacrament. This cooperation between the Church, the school, and the domestic church which is the home, ensures our students have the opportunity to receive the sacraments as they progress through their schooling.



*Left:* Cath Morrissy, Fr. Madden, Damien Cook, Melina Mercieca, Gavin Cook, Monica McCallum, Heath Lang

*Below:* Claire O'Halloran



Scott McAuliffe, Kaye McCallum, Rebecca Grigg, Shane Lindsay and Bernard Delahunty with Principal Helen Kett (back)



Maeve Delahunty, Fr Peter Hudson, Sienna Finnigan

## BUILDING PROGRAMS

Since the year 2000, thanks to State and Federal Capital Grants, the school has increased its facilities to now include the multi-purpose room; an Art room (which was initially used as a classroom in 2004 to cater for the increased enrolments after the Lutheran School's closure); a Library/computer pod; new student and staff toilets; a Principal's office and a refurbished front entrance. These grants were provided to bring the school's facilities up to a satisfactory Government standard.

After many tries for another grant which were all unsuccessful, the school community decided to apply for a loan through the Diocesan Supplementary Capital Fund to upgrade the cracked and dangerous asphalt quadrangle and build a multi-function court suitable for basketball, netball, tennis and P.E. activities. This was achieved at the end of 2012.

Since these developments, the Art Room has been relocated for use at St Patrick's Nhill, as that school's population required a room for key learning, where OLHC used it as an art room. It was sad to see the room go in early 2024, but knowing that it provides essential space for Catholic education in the parish is a consolation. The space left by the art room's removal, opened up views of the resurfaced oval, the bush land beyond, and made it possible to install stylish colourful outdoor furniture for alternate learning spaces and a veggie patch.

Cathy Grace went to a great deal of effort to secure a capital grant for a new school building. Work will commence in October 2024 to remove the original school building, and a modular off-site build will be installed for use from January 2025. Again, it is sad to farewell the original building, but the grant that secured a new building, will hopefully secure Catholic education in Murtoa for decades to come. We are blessed to have a 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary before the removal of the original building, so that past students, friends, families and staff can farewell the place that meant so much to them.



## COMMITTEES

**1963 – 2003:** For the first ten years the school was supported by a School Committee - mainly fathers - who attended to practical maintenance. When the school first opened there was a house on the property, west of the school occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Steve Lang and family. By 1966, the Langs had moved and the house was demolished, but each spring jonquils, bella donnas and bluebells still spring up along the fence line and around the empty paddock. The **C.W.L.** continued to act as the Mother's Club raising money through catering and street stalls and attending to Sister's requests.

In 1974 the **Parents and Friends Association** commenced as a separate body, although there was some overlapping of personnel. Mr. Geoff Coutts was the "School Secretary" on a voluntary basis, coordinating the school's finances from his home through the Parish Office in Horsham, while all the other office administration was handled by the Principal.

Then in 1979, in keeping with the Vatican Council directions, a **School Board** was formed, including in its make up representatives of other bodies in the church. The Board acted and continues to act as a governing and organising body for the School, establishing policies and working with the Principal and teachers to implement such policies. The inaugural Chairman was David Grigg, son of Bert Grigg. The Parents and Friends became the main fundraising body of the school and conducted such things as coffee mornings, race catering, street stalls, lamington drives, craft market stalls and Melbourne Cup Day lunches to raise money for the school. The Race catering has been a part of the agenda for the Parents and Friends for more than twenty years. *A record in the Minute Book in 1982 recommends that the Lunch prices be changed from \$3.80 to \$4.00 for lunch and from 80c to \$1.00 for afternoon tea.*

In 2003, the Parents and Friends are the sole caterers for six Murtoa race meetings a year and handle an income of around \$20,000 over the financial year. Race meetings and catering for functions in the multi-purpose room are the main fundraising events for this committee at the moment.

*In March, 1983 it was decided at a Parents and Friends meeting to ask the Board to write to the Shire requesting speed bumps, bicycle paths, and lower speed limits along Munro Street outside the school.*

**2004 – 2013:** The Parents and Friends Association continues to work extremely hard fundraising for the school. In 2012, the number of race meetings was reduced from six to two, so fundraising was and is being supplemented with catering and street stalls. This has made it possible to continue raising the \$20,000 a year that had previously been made from the six meetings.

The School Board had its name changed to a "School Advisory Council" in 2012. In its capacity as an advisory body to the Parish Priest and Principal, the Council provides a sounding board for financial matters and future development.

After much pressure on the Shire over a number of years, the school now has two school crossings, one of which is manned by staff. The speed limit near schools was changed to 40 kph by Government legislation and a pedestrian/bike path has been sealed on the north side of the road for the use of College students which has helped keep the students safe.

Thanks to an organisation called "Community Axis", the school has been fortunate in being able to offer positions for several clients over the last few years who have been able to work both inside the school as secretarial/teacher aide assistants or as garden maintenance

personnel. This has lessened the need for working bees considerably and has kept the grounds neat and tidy while allowing many extra projects to be added in the school yard.



## **SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS**

Our Lady Help of Christians has achieved some excellent results in the sporting arena. As part of the "Murtoa/Minyip District Athletic Sports" Competition, the school was the champion school in 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, and 1971. This competition was between Jung, Minyip Green, Minyip Blue, Minyip White, Murtoa Brown, Murtoa Gold, Murtoa Red, and Coromby. When the smaller rural schools in the wider Dunmunkle area closed, (e.g. Burrum, Lallat Plains, Coromby, Lubeck, etc) the competition changed its name to the Dunmunkle School Sports Association which includes the schools from Minyip, Rupanyup, Marnoo, Murtoa College and Our Lady's who compete each year for the Ken Daggett Memorial Shield. Our Lady's was successful in winning the shield in 2019, 2021, 2022 and 2023.

A Dunmunkle Schools Football Competition and a Basketball Competition were also conducted around this time. In the final year that the football competition ran, 1967, Our Lady Help of Christians were the champions on our old school oval in the back paddock. The match was between Our Lady's and Rupanyup. The last remaining goal post from the set of goal posts on this oval now holds up the bird feeder outside the Senior Room and has a plaque recording the names of the team members on it. *Paul Young, Vincent Delahunty, John Cashill, Damien Rabl, Mark Delahunty, David Cashill, Geoffrey Tannock, Ian Young, Andrew Jess, Gary Keel, John Gerdtz, Bernard Fontana, John Murphy, David Delahunty, Christopher Payne and Kevin Payne.*

A basketball team from Our Lady Help of Christians in 1966 were the Dunmunkle Sports Association's Basketball Premiers.

*The team members were:*

*Catherine Pickering (capt)*

*Janet Hynes*

*Vicky Tucker*

*Leanne Walker*

*Annette Delahunty*

*Julie Murphy*

*Judy Schultz*

## **EVENT RECORDS**

Since 1975, the record set by Christopher Delahunty for the seven year old Long Jump with a jump of 2.77 metres still stands.

Leonard Clark's 1995 record for the twelve year old boys Senior Discus with a throw of 26.85 mts also still stands.

Other records set by Our Lady's students were:

- Leonard Clark in 1995 set the record for the twelve year old boys Triple Jump with a jump of 8.70 mts
- Matt Coleman in 2003 set the record for the eight year old boys Discus with a throw of 20.35 mts
- Georgia Lasslett, 2003. Threw a throw of 10.58 mts in the eight year old girls Discus
- Analise Baker, 2004. Jumped 4.47 mts in the seven year old girls Triple Jump
- Conor Delahunty, 2006. Jumped 5.44 m in the eight year old girls Triple Jump
- Conor Delahunty, 2006. Threw a throw of 6.15 mts in the eight year old girls Shotput
- Noah Hamilton, 2009. Ran 11.03 sec in the five year old boys 50m Hurdles
- Noah Hamilton, 2011. Ran 7.70 sec in the seven year old boys 50m Hurdles
- Ruby Wilson, 2016. Threw 15.16 m in the eight year old girls Junior Discus
- Poppy Golder, 2016. Threw 4.08 m in the five year old girls 1kg Shot Put

- Monana Pickering, 2016. Ran 12.38 sec in the eleven year old girls 100 m Sprint
- Edward Frost, 2018. Threw 4.4 m in the five year old boys Bean Bag Discus
- Eimer Delahunty, 2018. Threw 4.45 m in the five year old girls Bean Bag Discus
- Charlotte Boussac, 2018. Threw 3.7 m in the six year old girls Shot Put
- Maddison Kraulin, 2018. Threw 3.9 m in the five year old girls Bean Bag Shot Put
- Nihal Dhillon, 2019. Threw 4.3 m in the five year old boys Bean Bag Shot Put
- Harriett Oram, 2023. Threw 9.6 m in the six year old girls Bean Bag Discus

Participation in sport has always been important throughout the school year. Students enjoy swimming at the Murtoa Pool in summer, learning stroke and water safety techniques. They can now play basketball, netball and tennis on the new multi-function court. A specialised PE Program called “Bluearth” is offered on a weekly basis and a sport segment is part of the weekly curriculum.

Senior students run in the Dunmunkle Cross Country event in April each year and during the Winter months may be chosen for the Dunmunkle Football and Netball teams for Lightning Premierships played against other clusters. AFL Football Clinics and Wheelchair Sport visitors are included in the sport opportunities.



*Above: The 1967 school sports*



*Left: The audience of the 2001 school sports*

*Below: The children celebrating the winning of the 2023 school sports.*



Eimer Delahunty achieved a perfect score of 18 points at the 2023 School Sports

## AROUND THE GROUNDS

Over the last ten years Natimuk artist Melanie Obst and Murtoa artists Bev Buckley and Steve Monk have volunteered their time to beautify the school with murals, mosaics and sculptures. The students have helped with some of the art work which include murals, mosaic stepping stones and pavers.

The ship tree house was built with help from the Rupanyup-Minyip Bendigo Bank branch which gave the Student Action Team a grant of \$1,000.

A larger project undertaken by the students outside the school grounds was the building of the two Murtoa lizards which are on the median strips of Marma and Duncan streets with help from funds offered through Wimmera Uniting Care's "Student Youth Focused Service" and from artist Steve Monk. Steve designed and built the lizards out of Hebel brick for the students and they then covered the lizards with mosaic tiles. The community was invited to help with the project and two giant lizards promoting the name "Murtoa" (*which means "Home of the Lizard" in the Indigenous Australian language*) are prominent features in the town.

Since 1993, the school has been entering the Victorian Schools Garden Awards. Over this time the school has won five Regional awards and three Achievement awards. In 2012, the school was announced the State winner in Category One for schools with 100 pupils or less which was a major achievement.

Due to the budget restraints of a small school, all the projects achieved in and around the school have been funded either by the Parents and Friends or by grants from a variety of sources.



Bev Buckley painting the "Feelings" expressions between the children's toilets



Above: The tree before our ship

Below: The ship tree house



The "Murtoa" lizard in Marma St.



## Around the Grounds



Steve Monk worked with the children to make the Friendship seat



*Left above:* Steve Monk with Jessica Warrick carving a head

*Left below:* Kurtis Schodde and Baillie Batchelor painting the seat



## PERFORMING AND VISUAL ARTS

Our Lady's curriculum places great emphasis on the Performing and Visual Arts. Each year the school presents a drama production.

Students are encouraged in the Visual Arts to be creative and courageous. Their art works are entered in the "BIG Weekend" Murtoa Show held in October each year, as well as other poster competitions throughout the year to showcase their ability. As well as producing individual art pieces, students have also contributed to the murals and art works in and around the school. Murtoa Skate Park also features our students work



The whole school play 2017, "Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies."

L-R: James Finnigan, Charley Baker, Lucas Way, Luke Weidemann, Banjo Golder

The whole school play 2016, "Pinocchio."

L-R: Finnian Delahunty, Patrick Rabl, Jed Warrick, Riana Warrick, Heidi Baker



The Junior's play, 2019, "The Enormous Turnip."

L-R Kirat Dhillon, Maddison Kraulins, Andre Boussac, Edward Frost, Nihal Dhillon

## EXTRA CURRICULA ACTIVITIES

### Teaching Farms

In 2006 and 2007, Our Lady's students took part in a "Teaching Farms" program. The school was partnered with Hobson's Bay Primary School near Williamstown in Melbourne and their first visit to Murtoa was in 2006, with staff and students being billeted with school farming families. They spent three days in the town experiencing country life. In 2007, Murtoa students were invited back to Hobson's Bay for a return visit to experience city life for three days.

### Eco-Cubby Project



In 2009, the senior students took part in an "Eco-Cubby" Project. Through Environment Victoria, they were assigned two Melbourne architects who helped them design a "sustainable" house. The students decided to design a house made of car tyres which were in plentiful supply around the school because of tree planting started in 2000 to build a working track in the paddock at the back of

the school. *Tyres were recommended as tree guards at the time and around six hundred tyres were used to guard the trees from visiting rabbits.* The exercise of designing the house was very beneficial in helping the children understand the aspects of sustainable building practices.



### Visiting Presenters

Visitors to the school over the years have been author Michael Salmon, cartoonists Dave Gibbs, Richard Galbraith and Tony Sowersby. Olympic swimmer Lisa Curry visited and spoke to the children about living a healthy lifestyle and the value of exercise and Life-Saving Victoria has shown the students how to "resuscitate a mate", singer-songwriter Andrew Chinn recorded a video of his new piece "Mary's Song" with our students performing. Freestyle Dance Ministry, AFL Football Clinic and a golf clinic have also visited our school on multiple occasions.

Through the local CEP Cluster, the children experience performances over the course of the year which could be from dancers, puppet-shows, magicians, or musicians. Every chance is taken to widen the children's life experiences and provide learning opportunities.

### Community Service

Over the years students at Our Lady's have been active in the community doing community service through projects like "Meals on Wheels", visiting the Nursing Home in Rupanyup each month and delivering Christmas biscuits to Murtoa's senior residents in December.

Working for Social Justice is also extremely important. The children have fundraised to support Caritas, Project Compassion, the School of St. Jude in Tanzania; Moira Kelly's "Children First" Foundation; Fr. Michael Malony's "Shared Table" project in Peru, as well as such charities as, The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, the Epilepsy Foundation, the Royal Children's Hospital, The Royal Flying Doctors and the Cancer Council. **Sustainability and**

**caring for the environment** are always to the forefront of every day with water saving, energy saving, growing vegetables, planting trees with, “reduce, reuse, recycle” constantly being reinforced.



Author Michael Salmon showing the children how quickly he can draw his characters



Architects helped the children design a “sustainable” house recycling materials that were around the school, tyres, pine logs and rope in the Eco-cubby project.



The Royal Flying Doctors visited our school, with a simulator plane, teaching the children the history of RFDS. They could climb in and use the variety of instruments on the plane, from the flight simulator to the radios and medical equipment.



Lisa Curry came and spoke to the children about healthy eating and the importance of exercise

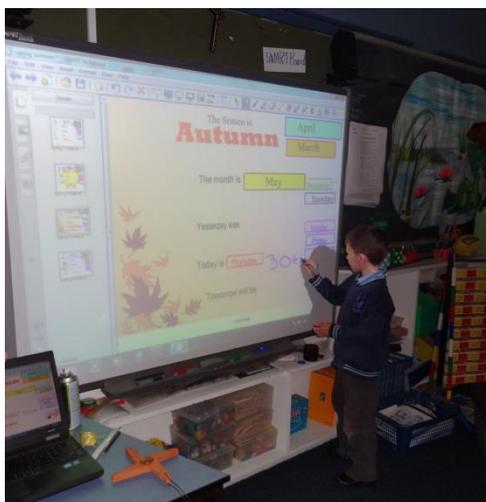
In 2023, singer-songwriter, Andrew Chinn, visited our school. He had the whole school singing and performing with him.



## NEW INNOVATIONS IN THE CURRICULUM

The use of technology throughout the school has increased immensely since 2003. Interactive whiteboards, individual laptops and iPads and a computer pod in the library have all been purchased to help bring staff and students into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century as competent teachers and learners. As web-based technology changes daily, the school is endeavouring to keep pace with the infinite possibilities of technological advances.

As with all developments in teaching and learning, it is the priority of OLHC to ensure we deliver evidence-based programs and best practice pedagogy. The use of technology aids that learning and teaching, but never replaces the truly human interaction between student and teacher. Chrome books and iPads remain one feature among many in classrooms in 2023.



# ENROLMENTS 1963 - 2023

## 1963 ENROLMENTS

Brown, Paul  
Cashill, John  
Curran, Ann  
Delahunty, Annette  
Delahunty, David  
Delahunty, Francis  
Delahunty, Leo  
Delahunty, Mark  
Delahunty, Michael  
Delahunty, Patricia  
Delahunty, Thomas  
Delahunty, Vincent  
Dunstan, Jennifer  
Fontana, Mark  
Fontana, Mary  
Fogarty, Mark  
Gerdtz, Bernadette  
Gerdtz, John  
Keel, Diane  
Keel, Patricia  
Mahon, Mary  
Mason, John  
Mason, Kenneth  
McGrath, Joan  
McGrath, Julie  
McGrath, Peter  
McGrath, William  
McMahon, Denis  
McMahon, Helen  
McMahon, John  
Munro, Kevin  
Murphy, Anne  
O'Halloran, David  
O'Halloran, Michael  
Rabl, Catherine  
Rabl, Damian  
Rabl, Paula  
Rhoden, Michael  
Rutherford, Noreen  
Schultz, Judith  
Schultz, Leonie  
Shone, James  
Tannock, Geoffrey  
Taylor, Errol  
Tobin, Carmel  
Tobin, Mary  
Tucker, Shellee  
Tucker, Vicki  
Woods, Catherine  
Woods, Claire  
Woods, Ruth

## 1964 ENROLMENTS

Mason, Jennifer  
Hynes, Janet  
Young, Ian  
Rabl, Christopher  
Cashill, David  
O'Halloran, John  
Gerdtz, Anthony  
Murphy, Julie  
Pickering, Catherine  
Young, Paul  
Fogarty, Gerald  
Rabl, Susan  
Jess, Andrew  
Tucker, Leigh  
Murphy, Margaret

## 1965 ENROLMENTS

Fontana, Bernard  
O'Day, Denise  
Gerdtz, Teresa  
Wilson, Peter  
Walker, Stephen  
Delahunty, Philip  
Tobin, Daniel  
Gruca, Stephen  
Jess, Barbara  
O'Halloran, Claire  
Delahunty, Maria  
Smith, Judelle  
Murphy, John  
O'Day, Judith  
Wilson, Pauline  
Wilson, Christine  
Walker, Leanne  
Rabl, Gerard  
Gruca, Stanley  
Delahunty, Helen  
Murphy, Mary Ann  
Woods, Rosemary  
Finnigan, John

## 1966 ENROLMENTS

Fontana, Peter  
Delahunty, Andrew  
Keel, Stephen  
Tannock, Mark  
Rabl, Lucia  
Brown, Peter  
Jeffrey, Joseph  
Mason, Peter  
Jess, Marie  
Shone, Marie 25

## 1967 ENROLMENTS

Gruca, Anthony  
Scully, David  
Tucker, Guy  
Payne, Christopher  
Payne, Terence  
Ogden, Graeme  
Smith, Warrick  
Delahunty, Margaret  
Fay, Eric  
Payne, Kevin

## 1968 ENROLMENTS

Delahunty, Roderick  
Payne, Maryanne  
Obreza, Maryanne  
Fontana, Denise  
Jess, Philip  
Keel, Wendy  
Le Lievre, Peter

## 1969 ENROLMENTS

Delahunty, Brendan  
Lindsay, Bernard  
Smith, Nigel  
Jess, Margot  
Manuel, Helen  
Mildren, Wayne  
Finnigan, Mark  
Smith, Brendan  
Gruca, Linda  
Loupos, Sulla  
Mildren, Glenn

## 1970 ENROLMENTS

Lindsay, Gillian  
Payne, Paul  
Leroy, Janine  
Dowsey, Karen  
Dowsey, Michelle  
Payne, Catherine  
Brown, Richard  
Turvey, Craig

**1971 ENROLMENTS**

Notman, Wayne  
Delahunty, Paul  
Murphy, Daniel  
Lyons, Teresa  
Notman, Bruce  
Rabl, Dominic  
Lyons, Jennifer  
Lyons, Maureen

**1972 ENROLMENTS**

Searle, Andrew  
Searle, Anne  
Spokes, Leanne  
Ross, Shirley  
Ross, Jennifer  
Ross, Marilyn  
Willes, Leanne  
Willes, Robert  
Searle, Katherine  
Lindsay, Georgina  
Jess, Stephen  
Williams, David  
Willes, Jennifer Irene  
Willes, David Allan

**1973 ENROLMENTS**

Brito-Babapulle, Ashan  
Brito-Babapulle, Ashanti  
Tanya

**1974 ENROLMENTS**

Williams, Bernadette  
Finnigan, Brian  
Delahunty, Majella  
Rabl, Justin  
Van Loenhaut, Anton  
Coutts, John  
Coutts, Stephen  
Scully, Patrick  
Scully, Lisa  
Scully, Danielle  
Lindsay, Bill  
Brito-Babapulle, Sean  
Lindsay, Andrew  
Van Loenhaut, Johan  
Coutts, Jo-Anne  
Coutts, Andrew  
Scully, Marianne  
Scully, Michelle

**1975 ENROLMENTS**

Keel, Jason  
Trethowan, Marie  
Trethowan, Peter  
Lindsay, Shane  
Brito-Babapulle, Nigel  
Trethowan, Julie  
Courts, Gerard  
McCallum, Roger

**1976 ENROLMENTS**

Grigg, Nigel  
Grigg, Julian

**1977 ENROLMENTS**

Delahunty, Bernard  
O'Day, Rachel

**1978 ENROLMENTS**

Grigg, Rebecca  
Scully, Kevin  
Smith, Danny  
McCallum, Kaye  
Smith, Janine

**1979 ENROLMENTS**

O'Day, Scott  
Ross, Debbie  
McCallum, Richard

**1980 ENROLMENTS**

Carter, Janelle  
McCallum, Sandra  
Carr, Darren  
Carr, Janine  
Lang, Travis  
Grigg, Kate  
Rutherford, Paul

**1981 ENROLMENTS**

McDowell, Peter  
McDowell, Michael  
McDowell, Gregory  
Coutts, Benjamin  
Carter, Mark  
McAuliffe, Scott  
McAuliffe, Joanne

**1982 ENROLMENTS**

Rutherford, Michelle  
Jones, Karlie  
Ross, Margaret<sup>26</sup>

McCallum, Gregory  
Scully, Matthew  
Hall, Sean  
McAuliffe, Matthew

**1983 ENROLMENTS**

Slattery, John  
Taylor, Casey

**1984 ENROLMENTS**

Hall, Jarrod  
Lang, Heath  
McCallum, Monica  
Haynes, Mark

**1985 ENROLMENTS**

Tucker, Jay  
Coutts, Courtney  
Delahunty, Ben  
Fraser, Thomas  
Slattery, Nicholas  
Tucker, Beau  
Hallam, Sally Jane  
Hallam, Kylie  
Little, Geoffrey  
Finnigan, Scott  
Scully, Christopher

**1986 ENROLMENTS**

Clark, Eugenie  
Fraser, James  
Hallam, Melissa  
Little, David  
Slattery, Daniel  
Dibdin, Teresa

**1987 ENROLMENTS**

Delahunty, Rachel  
Colley, James  
Delahunty, Christopher  
Colley, Thomas  
Colley, Ian

**1988 ENROLMENTS**

Slattery, Andrew  
Finnigan, Stacey  
Bester, Lucas  
Bester, James  
Malcolm, Nicholas  
Maddy, Jennifer  
Maddy, Emma

**1989 ENROLMENTS**

Delahunty, Emily  
 Clark, Leonard  
 Delahunty, Joshua  
 Hall, Dion  
 Pickering, Paul  
 Terry, Cohle  
 Hateley, Joseph  
 Kydd, Krystal  
 Slattery, Anne  
 Little, Graham  
 Opie, Serena

**1990 ENROLMENTS**

Cook, Deidre  
 Faull, Juanita  
 Hateley, Sally-Anne  
 Cook, Gavin  
 Williams, Kate  
 Williams, Benjamin

**1991 ENROLMENTS**

Brown, Christopher  
 Childs, Shaun  
 Mercieca, Tamara  
 Mercieca, Melina  
 Pickering, Paul  
 Murphy, Stacey

**1992 ENROLMENTS**

Pickering, Christian  
 Delahunty, Thomas  
 Kydd, Jayde  
 Keam, Tarl  
 Keam, Kira  
 Keam, Jared

**1993 ENROLMENTS**

Delahunty, Luke  
 Heaslip, Kyle  
 Childs, Ashlea  
 St. John, Stephanie  
 McKelvey, Tim  
 Nihill, Marlee  
 Richards, Rhiannon

**1994 ENROLMENTS**

Keam, Kirk  
 Clark, Kitty  
 Finnigan, Dennis  
 Wright, Jim  
 Keast, Sam

**1995 ENROLMENTS**

Hart, Jessica  
 Hart, Cheyne  
 Delahunty, John  
 Delahunty, Christopher  
 McCallum Chloe  
 Murphy, Emily  
 Heaslip, Zachary

**1996 ENROLMENTS**

Delahunty, Lachlan  
 Rabl-Hendron, Jack

**1997 ENROLMENTS**

Adler, Stephen  
 Rabl, Cormac  
 Keast, Jacqueline  
 Rogers, Haylee  
 Rogers, Callan

**1998 ENROLMENTS**

Adler, Luke  
 McCallum, Hannah  
 Tobin, Adrian

**1999 ENROLMENTS**

Delahunty, Kieran  
 Tobin, Harrison  
 Gilbert, Rene  
 Storey, Samuel  
 Storey, Scarlett

**2000 ENROLMENTS**

Coleman, Matthew  
 Delahunty, Laura  
 Delahunty, Grace  
 Pickering, Brittany  
 Lasslett, Jake  
 Gerdtz, Courtney

**2001 ENROLMENTS**

Newell, Maisie  
 Lasslett, Troy  
 Delahunty, Shanae  
 Rabl, Benjamin  
 Sonogo, Ashleigh  
 Purcell, Jack  
 Purcell, Patrick  
 New, Dawn  
 New, Carole

**2002 ENROLMENTS**

Hemphill, Samantha  
 Hemphill, Timothy  
 Furfari-Kerr Isaac  
 Coleman, Tom  
 Maher, Annabelle  
 Delahunty, Mitchell  
 Winter, Kirraly  
 Sangster, Grace

**2003 ENROLMENTS**

Batchelor, Baillie  
 Deutscher, Liam  
 Maher, Patrick  
 Hemphill, Catherine  
 Lasslett, Georgia  
 Tobin, Nicholas  
 New, Dawn Elizabeth  
 New, Carole Jean

**2004 ENROLMENTS**

Baker, Analise  
 Baker, Rebecca  
 Boschen, Jessica  
 Boschen, Ryan  
 Briggs, Gabrielle  
 Briggs, Kane  
 Briggs, Koedy  
 Delahunty, Conor  
 Harrison, Casey  
 Harrison, Jesse  
 Hawkins, Lauren  
 Hill, Ethan  
 Launer, Daniel  
 Lloyd, Emily  
 O'Donnell, Todd  
 O'Donnell, Jessica  
 Schodde, Claudia  
 Schodde, Kurtis  
 Taylor, Thomas  
 Taylor, Zac  
 Taylor, Andrew  
 Tepper, Nathan  
 Warrick, Jessica  
 Webb, Jordie  
 Webb, Kalen

**2005 ENROLMENTS**

Boland, Brodie  
Delahunty, Bonnie  
Hourigan, Justin  
Hourigan, Charles  
Kydd, Byron  
McHarry, Denbea  
Newell, Charlotte  
O'Connor, Grace  
New, Dawn  
New, Carole  
New, Raymond

**2006 ENROLMENTS**

Maher, Richard  
O'Donnell, Raechel  
Webb, Jordie  
Webb, Kalen

**2007 ENROLMENTS**

Briggs, Lachlan  
Brown, Lachlan  
Cardell, Laura  
Chenoweth, Corey  
Delahunty, Jordan  
Newell, Patrick  
Osler-Seymour, Esther  
Osler-Seymour, Finnegan  
Pickering, Brittany

**2008 ENROLMENTS**

Batchelor, Ruby  
Briggs, Imogen  
Dannatt, Ryan  
McAlpine, Cayde

**2009 ENROLMENTS**

Crawford, Samantha  
Delahunty, Jessie  
Eagles, Jacob  
Eagles, Jayson  
Eagles, Lucy  
Eagles, Noah  
Faux, Jacinta  
Faux, Chantel  
Gerdtz, Seth  
Gerdtz, Hamish  
Gerdtz, Brydei  
Briggs, Imogen

**2010 ENROLMENTS**

Bain, Byron  
Briggs, Charlotte  
Gready, Emelia  
Mahwendepi, Anopaishe  
McAlpine, Tuskan  
Rabl, Patrick  
Tucker, Rory  
Weidemann, Zoe  
Koch, Ahren  
Murekezi, Joel  
Murekezi, Yohani  
Murekezi, Semplice  
Hamilton, Noah  
Tuthill, Jayde  
Hamilton, Mia  
Hamilton, Jordy

**2011 ENROLMENTS**

Cowper-Schneider, Rhys  
Palmer-Clow, Faith  
Clow, Justice

**2012 ENROLMENTS**

Baker, Charley  
Finnigan, James  
Elliot, Thomas  
Hart, Luke  
Warrick, Jed  
Warrick, Riana  
Garth-Lindsay, Eadie  
Garth-Lindsay, Oliver  
Garth-Lindsay, Ronan

**2013 ENROLMENTS**

Mitchem, Jordan  
Briggs, Liam  
Way, Lucas  
Clow, Grace  
James, Jett  
Briggs, Brylee  
Hobson, Tye  
Wooden-Crow, Deegan  
Arnold, Normie

**2014 ENROLMENTS**

Asplin William  
Baker Heidi  
Birch Kayla  
Briggs Hamish  
Delahunty Finnian  
Golder Banjo  
Jackson Ivy  
Mitchell Dillon  
Mitchell Leteshya  
Wilson Lili  
Wilson Ruby

**2015 ENROLMENTS**

Asplin Maddison  
Birch Ella  
Dean Alex  
Dean Jack  
Finnigan Max  
Hobson Lili  
Mitchell Shanyka  
Weidemann Luke

**2016 ENROLMENTS**

Briggs Sarah  
Dhillon Navraj  
Golder Poppy  
Mitchell Kodee  
Richards Chloe

**2017 ENROLMENTS**

Baker Toby  
Delahunty Maeve  
Finnigan Sienna  
Greenhalgh Eliza-Jane

**2018 ENROLMENTS**

Boussac Marie Charlotte  
Briggs Sarah  
Delahunty Eimer  
Frost Edward  
Horvat Matilda  
Kraulins Maddison  
Mitchell Indyanha  
Stephenson Hunter  
Thomas Kaden

**2019 ENROLMENTS**

Aroza Xena  
Boussac Andre  
Dhillon Kirat  
Dhillon Nihal  
Mitchell Oleighvah

**2020 ENROLMENTS**

Baker Jed  
Johnson Luca  
Trotter Axel

**2021 ENROLMENTS**

Allan Ruby  
Frost Sidney  
Stephenson Theodore

**2022 ENROLMENTS**

Greenhalgh Bethany-Rose  
Greenhalgh Eliza-Jane  
Maria Jojo Irene  
McGrath Orlando  
Telpuk Madelyn  
Telpuk Nathan

**2023 ENROLMENTS**

Allan Harrison  
Byrne Joseph  
Byrne Samuel  
Johnson Zahlee  
McCumstie Joseph  
McCumstie Therese  
Oram Harriett  
Roll Addison

## TEACHERS WHO HAVE SERVED AT O.L.H.C.

YEAR	PRINCIPAL	TEACHER	TEACHER
1963	Mother Ethna	M.de Porres	
1964	Mother Ethna	Sister Enda	
1966	Mother Ethna	Sister Michelina	
1968	Sister Regina	Sister Michelina	
1969 - 72	Sister Regina	Mrs Jenny Rabl	
1973	Sister Juliana		
1974	Mrs Veronica Slattery		
1975	Mrs Veronica Slattery	Mrs Eleanor Bowen	
1976	Mrs Veronica Slattery	Mrs Joan Aumann ( August)	
1977	Miss Joan Walsh	Mrs Joan Aumann	
1978-79	Miss Carmel Walsh	Mrs Joan Aumann	
1980-83	Miss Helen Kett	Mrs Joan Aumann	
1984-86	Miss Helen Kett	Mrs Maureen Puls	
1987-90	Miss Cath Morrissy	Mrs Maureen Puls	
1991-92	Miss Cath Morrissy	Miss Ann-Maree Jeffs	
1993-94	Mr Ciaran Heaslip	Miss Ann-Maree Jeffs	
1995	Mr Ciaran Heaslip and Mrs Joan Coldwell	Mrs Cath Overman	
1996	Mr Stephen Russell	Mis Liz Croser	
1997	Mr Stephen Russell	Ms Anne Newton	
1998-2003	Mrs Veronica Slattery	Ms Anne Newton	
2004-06	Mrs Veronica Slattery	Ms Anne Newton	Miss Penni Bayne/Abbott
2007	Mrs Veronica Slattery	Ms Anne Newton	Mr Jason Weir
2008	Mrs Veronica Slattery	Ms Anne Newton	Miss Melissa Wall
2009	Mrs Veronica Slattery	Ms Anne Newton	
2010-13	Mrs Veronica Slattery	Ms Anne Newton	
2014-15	Gary Typuszak	Ms Anne Newton	Mrs Kristin Starick
2016-17	Gary Typuszak	Ms Anne Newton	Mr Brenton Foott
2018-22	Cathy Grace	Ms Anne Newton	Mrs Heather Robinson-Bush
2023 Jan - June	Cathy Grace (June)	Ms Anne Newton	Mr Jordan Collie
2023 July - Dec	Christopher McCumstie	Ms Anne Newton	Mr Jordan Collie

Other staff on a part – time basis have been Mrs Carmel Healy (nee Walsh, Principal, 78/79), Miss Wendy Kroker, Mrs Margaret Hamilton, Mrs Carmel White, Mrs Bernadette Delahunty, Mrs Phyll Loeliger, Mrs Marie McGennisken, Mrs Melissa Gannon, Mrs Trish Adler, Mrs Jane Hemphill, Mrs Jenny Williams, Miss Melanie Obst, Mrs Karen Booker, Mrs Nola Hill, Mrs Kerry Mooney, Mr Peter Amor, Mrs Nancie Denman, Mrs Joan Lane-Storey, Mrs Dee Schier, Mrs Sarah Maher, Mrs Violet Richards, Mrs Meggy Boan, Mr Laurie Bester, Mrs Wendy Nitschke, Nadja Typuszak, Mrs Jacinta McAlpine, Mrs Debbie Schultz, Miss Georgia Kirby, Mrs Bridie Curran, Miss Jessica Bedford, Mr Glenn Critchley, Mrs Mary Dalgleish

## PARISH PRIESTS

Over the 50 years of the school's existence, a number of parish priests and assistant priests have served in the Parish of St. Michael & St. John.

1959-1972	<b>Fr. Patrick Lynch</b> Fr. K Murphy Fr. P King Fr. B Coffey Fr. J D O'Hagen Fr. W Halloran Fr. Brendan Smith Fr. Les Sheahan Fr. Kevin Arundell	
1972-1973	<b>Fr. Tom Kiniry</b> Fr. P Brennan Fr. Roger Punch	
1973-1978	<b>Fr. Rodger Shepherd</b> Fr. Patrick Mugavin	
1978-1982	<b>Fr. Conor O'Sullivan</b> Fr. Michael O'Toole Fr. John Fitzgerald Fr. J C McKenzie	
1982-1998	<b>Fr. Frank Madden</b> Fr. P T Colley Fr. Gerry Baldock Fr. Peter Elder Fr. Stephen Morrissy Fr. Greg Tait Fr. John Clonan	
1998-2011	<b>Fr. Peter Sherman</b> Fr. John McKinnon Fr. Ed Maloney Fr. Tony Szewczyk Fr. Patrick Lim	
2012-2021	<b>Fr. Peter Hudson</b>	
2021-2022	Mons. Glynn Murphy	Assistant: Fr Jim Mackay
2022-	Mons. Glynn Murphy	Fr Matt Restall



**1963**

*Back row:* Damian Rabl, McMahon (twin), Mark Fontana, Michael Rhoden, Michael Delahunty, Errol Taylor, Michael O'Halloran, McMahon(twin), Mark Fogarty, Sister Enda

*3<sup>rd</sup> row:* Mother Ethna, Francis Delahunty, Jenny Dunstan, Claire Woods, Anne Murphy, Leonie Schultz, Catherine Woods, Paula Rabl, Annette Delahunty, Paul Brown, John Cashill, Mark Delahunty

*2<sup>nd</sup> row:* David O'Halloran, Tricia Delahunty, Helen McMahon, Mary Tobin, Kate Rabl, Shellee Tucker, Vicki Tucker, Ruth Woods, Carmel Tobin, Bernadette Gertz

*Front row:* Mary Fontana, David Delahunty, James Shone, Kevin Munro, John Mason, Kenneth Mason, Geoffrey Tannock, John Gertz, Noreen Rutherford, Vin Delahunty



1965

- Back row: David Cashill, Philip Delahunty, Daniel Tobin, Ken Mason, John O'Halloran, Ian Young, Andrew Jess, Kevin Munro, Geoffrey Tannock, Chris Rabl  
 Leigh Tucker, Gerard Rabl
- 4<sup>th</sup> row: John Gerdtz, Damian Rabl, John Cashill, Mark Delahunty, Leanne Walker, Teresa Gerdtz, Christine Wilson, Ruth Woods, Maryanne Murphy,
- 3<sup>rd</sup> row: Vin Delahunty, John Mason, David Delahunty, Gary Keel  
 Bernard Fontana, John Murphy, Paul Brown, Anthony Gerdtz, Tom Delahunty, Errol Taylor, Michael O'Halloran, Peter Wilson, Francis
- 2<sup>nd</sup> row: Delahunty, Paul Young, Stephen Walker, David O'Halloran  
 Judy Schultz, Mary Tobin, Shellie Tucker, Pauline Wilson, Julie Murphy, Mary Fontana, Janet Heinz, Claire Woods, Annette Delahunty,
- Front row: Cathy Pickering, Noreen Rutherford, Kate Rabl, Margaret Murphy  
 Claire O'Halloran, Sue Rabl, Bernadette Gerdtz, Denise O'Day, Patsy Keel, Vicki Tucker, Judy O'Day, Carmel Tobin, Tricia Delahunty,  
 Jenny Mason, Diane Keel, Barbara Jess



**1968 Juniors**

Back row: Stephen Keel, Andy Delahunty, Daniel Tobin, Gerard Rabl, Mark Tannock, Warwick Smith, Sr. Michelina

2<sup>nd</sup> row: Roderick Delahunty, Philip Jess, Lucy Rabl, Maria Delahunty, Anthony Gruca, Guy Tucker

Front row: Marie Jess, Mary-Anne Obreza, Maryanne Payne, Marie Jess, Marie Shone, Margaret Delahunty



**1968 Seniors**

Back row: John Gerdtz, Jimmy Shone, Vin Delahunty, Kevin Payne, Mark Delahunty, John Finnigan, David Delahunty, Peter Fontana, Andrew Jess, Peter Le Lievre

3<sup>rd</sup> row: Geoffrey Tannock, Chris Payne, Maryanne Murphy, Leanne Walker, Teresa Gerdtz, Ruth Woods, Judy O'Day, Kevin Munro, Stanley Gruca, Sr. Regina

2<sup>nd</sup> row: Rosemary Woods, Judelle Smith, Helen Delahunty, Denise Fontana, Bernadette Gerdtz, Carmel Tobin, Sue Rabl, Tricia Delahunty,

Front row: Dianne Keel, Barbara Jess

Leigh Tucker, Terry Payne, Chris Rabl, Stephen Gruca, Philip Delahunty, David Cashill



1970 Juniors

Back row: Wayne Mildren, Roderick Delahunty, Bernard Lindsay, Brendan Delahunty, Mark Finnigan, Richard Brown, Paul Payne, Craig Turvey  
Middle row: Maryanne Obreza, Janine LeRoy, Gillian Lindsay, unknown, Karen Dowsey, Maryanne Payne, Jenny Rabl (Teacher)  
Front row: Bernadette Phelan, Kate Payne, Margot Jess, Michelle Dowsey, Sulla Loupos



1970 Seniors

- Back row: Stephen Keel, David Cashill, Guy Tucker, Gerard Rabl, Terry Payne, Andy Delahunty, Leigh Tucker, Philip Delahunty, Chris Rabl  
Middle row: Sr. Regina, Kevin Payne, Denise Fontana, Bernadette Gerdtz, Tricia Delahunty, Sue Rabl, Danny Tobin, Andrew Jess  
Front row: Diane Keel, Lucy Rabl, Maria Jess, Maria Delahunty, Barbara Jess



**1974**

- Back row: Eleanor Bowen (Teacher), Sean Hall, Justin Rabl, Majella Delahunty, Bernadette Williams, Michelle Scully, Georgina Lindsay, Lisa Scully, David Williams, Bryan Finnigan, Veronica Slattery (Principal)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> row: Bill Lindsay, Paul Delahunty, Dominic Rabl, Tania Brito-Babapulle, Jennifer Ross, Gillian Lindsay, Patrick Scully, Sean Brito-Babapulle, Stephen Coutts
- 2<sup>nd</sup> row: Mark Finnigan, Brendan Delahunty, Marilyn Ross, Wendy Keel, Shirley Ross, Joanne Coutts, Maryanne Obreza, Marianne Scully, Johan Van Loehaut, Bernard Lindsay
- Front row: Roderick Delahunty, Anton Van Loenhaut, John Coutts, Andrew Coutts, Ashan Brito-Babapulle, Richard Brown, Craig Turvey



**1976**

- Back row: Patrick Scully, Ashan Brito-Babapulle, Richard Brown, Dominic Rabl  
 3<sup>rd</sup> row: Joan Aumann (Teacher), Tania Brito-Babapulle, Michelle Scully, Bill Lindsay, Andrew Coutts, Stephen Coutts, Julie Trethowan, Anne Curran (Student teacher), Veronica Slattery (Principal)  
 2<sup>nd</sup> row: Nigel Grigg, Georgina Lindsay, Majella Delahunty, Justin Rabl, Jennifer Ross, Sean Brito-Babapulle, Lisa Scully, Danielle Scully, Peter Trethowan  
 Front row: Julian Grigg, Gerard Coutts, Marie Trethowan, Gillian Lindsay, Tania Brito-Babapulle, Andrew Lindsay, Shane Lindsay, Wendy Keel



**1981**

Back row: Mrs. Joan Aumann (Teacher), Richard McCallum, Bernard Delahunty, Roger McCallum, Gerard Coutts, Nigel Brito-Babapulle, Nigel Grigg, Julian Grigg, Danielle Scully, Joanne McAuliffe, Miss Helen Kett (Principal)

2<sup>nd</sup> row: Kate Grigg, Kaye McCallum, Scott McAuliffe, Jason Keel, Peter McDowell, Darren Carr, Kevin Scully, Ben Coutts

Front row: Travis Lang, Greg McDowell, Janine Carr, Debbie Ross, Michael McDowell, Paul Rutherford, Sandra McCallum



**1984**

Back row: Mrs. Maureen Puls (Teacher), Sean Hall, Gregory McCallum, Richard McCallum, Bernard Delahunty, Travis Lang, Mark Haynes, Jay Tucker,  
Mrs. Joan Aumann (Teacher)

2<sup>nd</sup> row: Jarrod Hall, Matthew Scully, Michael McDowell, Kevin Scully, Gregory McDowell, John Slattery, Heath Lang

Front row: Monica McCallum, Sandra McCallum, Deborah Ross, Rebecca Grigg, Kaye McCallum, Kate Grigg, Margaret Ross

Absent: Miss Helen Kett (Principal)



**1986**

Back row: Miss Helen Kett (Principal), Jay Tucker, Matthew Scully, Mark Haynes, Travis Lang, Richard McCallum, Ben Coutts, Geoffrey Little, Mrs. Maureen Puls (Teacher)

Middle row: Scott Finnigan, Nicholas Slattery, Monica McCallum, Sandra McCallum, John Slattery, Kate Grigg, Sean Hall, Greg McCallum, Thomas Fraser, Heath Lang, Jarrod Hall, Chris Scully

Front row: Courtney Coutts, David Little, Beau Tucker, Ben Delahunty, Daniel Slattery, Eugenie Clark, James Fraser



**1987**

Back row: Mrs. Maureen Puls (Teacher), Jarrod Hall, Ian Colley, Jay Tucker, Sean Hall, John Slattery, Matthew Scully, Thomas Fraser, Miss Cath Morrissy (Principal)

3rd row: Beau Tucker, Geoffrey Little, Mark Haynes, Ben Coutts, Gregory McCallum, Heath Lang, Monica McCallum

2nd row: Eugenie Clark, James Fraser, Chris Scully, Nicholas Slattery, Scott Finnigan, Courtney Coutts

Front row: Daniel Slattery, Rachel Delahunty, Chris Delahunty, Ben Delahunty, James Colley, David Little



**1988**

Back row: Mrs. Maureen Puls (Teacher), Heath Lang, Emma Maddy, Greg McCallum, Nick Malcolm, Sean Hall, John Slattery, Lucas Bester, Matthew Scully, Miss Cath Morrissy (Principal)

Middle row: Courtney Coutts, Jarrod Hall, Nicholas Slattery, Jennifer Maddy, Thomas Colley, Scott Finnigan, Monica McCallum

Front row: Andrew Slattery, James Colley, Stacey Finnigan, Rachel Delahunty, Eugenie Clark, Daniel Slattery, James Bester, David Little



**1989**

Back row: Mrs. Puls (Teacher), Jennifer Maddy, Lucas Bester, John Slattery, Emma Maddy, Heath Lang, Miss Cath Morrissy (Principal)  
3rd row: Monica McCallum Scott Finnigan, Chris Scully, Nicholas Slattery, Jarrod Hall, Joe Hateley, Eugenie Clark, Courtney Coutts  
2nd row: James Bester, Ben Delahunty, Rachel Delaunty, Daniel Slattery, Chris Delahunty, Leonard Clark, Stacey Finnigan.  
Front row: Paul Pickering, Dion Hall, Andrew Slattery, Emily Delahunty, David Little, Joshua Delahunty, Cohle Terry



**1990**

Back row: Mrs. Maureen Puls (Teacher), Courtney Coutts, Serena Opie, Jarrod Hall, Heath Lang, Emma Maddy, Joe Hateley, Nicholas Slattery, Chris Scully, Miss Cath Morrissy (Principal)

3rd row: Deidre Cook, Leonard Clark, Monica McCallum, Chris Delahunty, Scott Finnigan, Gavin Cook, Eugenie Clark, Sally Hateley, Daniel Slattery

2nd row: Joshua Delahunty, Andrew Slattery, Ben Delahunty, Rachel Delahunty, Juanita Faull, James Bester, David Little, Emily Delahunty

Front row: Krystal Kydd, Graham Little, Kate Williams, Dion Hall, Anne Slattery, Ben Williams

Absent: Stacey Finnigan



**1991**

- Back row: Scott Finnigan, Chris Scully, Serena Opie, Emma Maddy, Nicholas Slattery, Courtney Coutts
- 4th row: Miss Ann-Maree Jeffs (Teacher), Daniel Slattery, Sally Hateley, Chris Delahunty, Eugenie Clark, Leonard Clark, Miss Cath Morrissy (Principal)
- 3rd row: Melina Mercieca, Joshua Delahunty, Andrew Slattery, Rachel Delahunty, Juanita Faull, Ben Delahunty, James Bester, David Little
- 2nd row: Ben Williams, Emily Delahunty, Dion Hall, Anne Slattery, Cohle Terry, Stacey Murphy, Christopher Brown
- Front row: Graham Little, Krystal Kydd, Kate Williams, Paul Pickering, Shaun Childs, Tamara Mercieca
- Absent: Stacey Finnigan



1992

Back row: Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Science Teacher), Mrs. Maree Rudge (Secretary), Christopher Delahunty, Christopher Scully, Serena Opie, Eugenie Clark, Miss Ann- Maree Jeffs (Teacher), Mrs. Margaret Hamilton (Teacher), Mr. Ciaran Heaslip (Principal)

3rd row: Stacey Finnigan, James Bester, Cohle Terry, Daniel Slattery, Juanita Faull, Sally Hateley, Leonard Clark, Rachel Delahunty, Joshua Delahunty, David Little

2nd row: Kate Williams, Paul Pickering, Stacey Murphy, Emily Delahunty, Andrew Slattery, Anne Slattery, Tarl Keam, Ben Williams, Shaun Childs

Front row: Jared Keam, Graham Little, Tom Delahunty, Kira Keam, Krystal Kydd, Jayde Kydd, Christine Pickering

Absent: Dion Hall



1993

Back row: Miss Ann-Maree Jeffs (Teacher), Krystal Kydd, Tarl Keam, Ben Williams, Stephanie St John, Andrew Slattery, Dion Hall, Jared Keam, Mr. Ciaran Heaslip (Principal )  
 3rd row: Rhiannon Crutch, Cohle Terry, Emily Delahunty, Christopher Brown, Paul Pickering, Kate Willams, Kira Keam  
 2nd row: David Little, Rachel Delahunty, Serena Opie, Leonard Clark, Christopher Delahunty, Joshua Delahunty, Stacey Finnigan  
 Front row: Luke Delahunty, Graham Little, Christian Pickering, Marlee Nihill, Shaun Childs, Kyle Heaslip, Ashlea Childs, Jayde Kydd, Thomas Delahunty



**1994**

Back row: Mr. Ciaran Heaslip (Principal), Miss Ann-Maree Jeffs (Teacher), Kate Williams, Ben Williams, Dion Hall, Rhiannon Richards, Thomas Delahunty, Krystal Kydd, Mrs. Maree Rudge (Secretary), Mrs. Bernadette Delahunty (Music Teacher)

3rd row: Cohle Terry, Christopher Brown, Stacey Finnigan, Leonard Clark, Joshua Delahunty, Tim McKelvey, Andrew Slattery, Shaun Childs

2nd row: Jim Wright, Dennis Finnigan, Paul Pickering, Luke Delahunty, Christian Pickering, Kyle Heaslip, Sam Keast

Front row: Mrs. Margaret Hamilton (Art Teacher), Stacey Murphy, Kitty Clark, Jayde Kydd, Marlee Nihill, Ashlee Childs, Emily Delahunty, Anne Slattery



**1995**

- Back row: Kate Williams, Christopher Brown, Anne Slattery, Emily Delahunty, Leonard Clark, Joshua Delahunty, Cohle Terry, Ben Williams  
 Middle row: Mr. Ciaran Heaslip (Principal), Kyle Heaslip, Cheyne Hart, Paul Pickering, Shaun Childs, Tom Delahunty, Jessica Hart, Krystal Kydd, Luke Delahunty, Christian Pickering, Mrs. Catherine Overman (Teacher), Mrs. Maree Rudge (Secretary)  
 Front row: Christopher Delahunty, Sam Keast, John Delahunty, Ashlea Childs, Kitty Clark, Dennis Finnigan, Zachary Heaslip, Chloe McCallum  
 Absent: Jayde Kydd



1996

Back row: Mrs. Maree Rudge (Secretary), Mr. Stephen Russell (Principal), Cohle Terry, Anne Slattery, Christopher Brown, Kate Williams,  
Miss Elizabeth Croser (Teacher), Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Teacher)

Middle row: Dennis Finnigan, Cheyne Hart, Paul Pickering, Tom Delahunty, Jessica Hart, Shaun Childs, Luke Delahunty, Krystal Kydd, Ashlea Childs, Jim Wright

Front row: Jack Rabl, Lachlan Delahunty, Kitty Clark, Jayde Kydd, Christian Pickering, John Delahunty, Sam Keast, Christopher Delahunty, Chloe McCallum



**1998**

Back row: Dennis Finnigan, Ashlea Childs, Tom Delahunty, Chris Brown, Haylee Rogers, Luke Delahunty, Jayde Kydd  
Middle row: Mrs. Maree Rudge (Teacher), Lachlan Delahunty, Christian Pickering, John Delahunty, Kitty Clark  
Stephen Adler, Callan Rogers, Mrs. Anne Newton (Teacher), Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal)  
Front row: Hannah McCallum, Jack Rabl, Luke Adler, Christopher Delahunty, Chloe McCallum, Adrian Tobin, Cormac Rabl



**1999**

Back row: Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal), Dennis Finnigan, John Delahunty, Ashela Childs, Haylee Rogers, Luke Delahunty, Kitty Clark, Christian Pickering  
Middle row: Cormac Rabl, Hannah McCallum, Jack Rabl, Lachlan Delahunty, Samuel Storey, Christopher Delahunty, Chloe McCallum Mrs. Anne Newton (Teacher),  
Mrs. Maree Rudge (Teacher)

Front row: Harrison Tobin, Luke Adler, Kieran Delahunty, Scarlett Storey, Callan Rogers, Adrian Tobin , Stephen Adler



**2000**

Back row: Callan Rogers, Chloe McCallum, John Delahunty, Samuel Storey, Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal), Kieran Delahunty, Mrs. Maree Rudge (School Officer), Brittany Pickering, Adrian Tobin, Luke Adler, Lachlan Delahunty, Courtney Gerdtz, Kitty Clark  
Middle row: Jake Lasslett, Matt Coleman, Cormac Rabl, Jack Rabl, Scarlett Storey, Stephen Adler, Harrison Tobin  
Front row: Hannah McCallum, Christopher Delahunty, Mrs. Anne Newton (Teacher), Dennis Finnigan, Laura Delahunty, Grace Delahunty



**2001**

Back row: Christopher Delahunty, Callan Rogers, Stephen Adler, Samuel Storey, John Delahunty, Ben Rabl, Lachlan Delahunty, Adrian Tobin, Luke Adler, Mrs. Maree Rudge (School Officer)

Middle row: Mrs. Anne Newton (Teacher), Harrison Tobin, Patrick Purcell, Jack Rabl, Scarlett Storey, Chloe McCallum, Hannah McCallum, Cormac Rabl, Jake Lasslett, Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal)

Front row: Ashleigh Sonogo, Shanae Delahunty, Laura Delahunty, Matt Coleman, Kieran Delahunty, Grace Delahunty, Troy Lasslett, Maisie Newell, Brittany Pickering



**2002**

Back row: Cormac Rabl, Scarlett Storey, Samantha Hemphill, Hannah McCallum

Middle row: Mrs. Maree Rudge (School Officer), Mrs. Marie McGennisken (Specialist Teacher), Callan Rogers, Stephen Adler, Lochie Delahunty, Adrian Tobin, Luke Adler, Shanae Delahunty

Standing behind: Mrs. Anne Newton (Teacher), Timothy Hemphill, Harrison Tobin, Laura Delahunty, Mrs. Trish Adler (Specialist Teacher), Jack Rabl

Front row: Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal), Grace Sangster, Brittany Pickering, Tom Coleman, Kirraly Winter, Troy Lasslett, Maisie Newell, Annabelle Maher, Jake Lasslett, Isaac Furfari-Kerr, Mitchell Delahunty, Kieran Delahunty, Matt Coleman



**2003**

Back row: Mrs. Jane Hemphill (Librarian), Mrs. Joan Lane-Storey ( School Officer) Cormac Rabl, Samantha Hemphill, Scarlett Storey, Adrian Tobin, Stephen Adler, Callan Rogers, Luke Adler, Harrison Tobin, Kieran Delahunty.

3rd row: Brittany Pickering, Laura Delahunty, Hannah McCallum, Matthew Coleman, Jake Lasslett, Shanae Delahunty, Annabelle Maher, Kirraly Winter, Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal), Miss Melissa Gannon (Teacher).

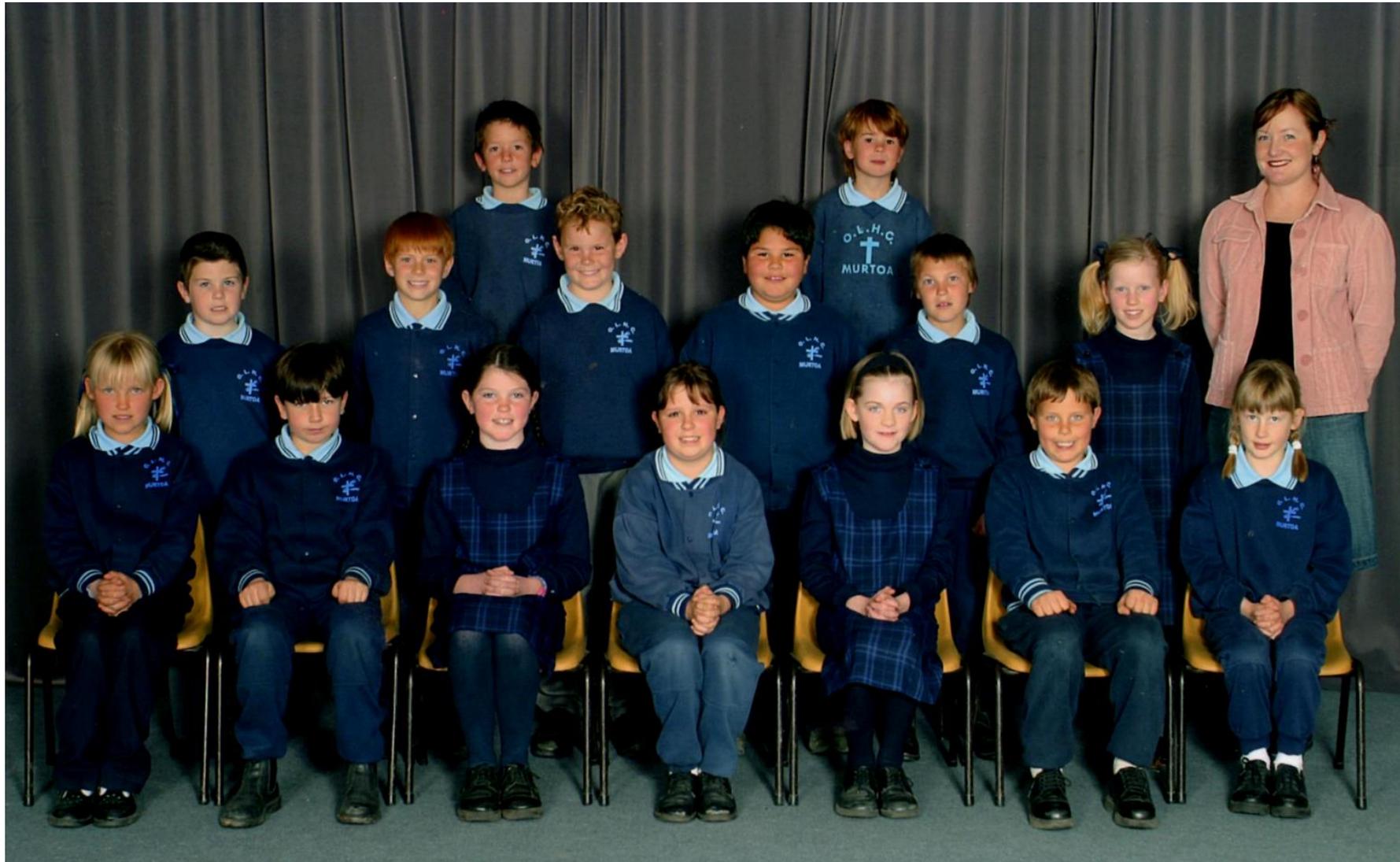
2nd row: Liam Deutsher, Mitchell Delahunty, Isaac Furfarri-Kerr, Troy Lasslett, Mrs. Anne Newton (Junior Teacher), Mrs. Maree Rudge (School Officer), Dawn New, Thomas Coleman, Patrick Maher, Timothy Hemphill.

Front row: Nicholas Tobin, Maisie Newell, Carol New, Georgia Lasslett, Catherine Hemphill, Baillie Batchelor.



**2004  
Grades Prep & 1**

Back row: Mrs. Anne Newton (Teacher), Catherine Hemphill, Kurtis Schodde, Byron Kydd, Jessica Warrick.  
Middle row: Emily Lloyd, Liam Deutsher, Patrick Maher, Nicholas Tobin, Andrew Taylor.  
Front row: Ryan Boschen, Jessica O'Donnell, Georgia Lasslett, Conor Delahunty, Rebecca Baker, Baillie Batchelor.



2004  
**Grades 2 & 3**

Back row: Mitchell Delahunty, Koedy Briggs.  
Middle row: Timothy Hemphill, Zac Taylor, Jake Lasslett, Isaac Furfarri-Kerr, Casey Harrison, Maisie Newell, Miss Penni Bayne (Teacher).  
Front row: Claudia Schodde, Todd O'Donnell, Shanae Delahunty, Brittany Pickering, Annabelle Maher, Thomas Coleman, Analise Baker.



**2004**

**Grades 4, 5 & 6**

Back row: Thomas Taylor, Jake Lasslett, Gabrielle Briggs, Kane Briggs  
Middle row: Hannah McCallum, Jesse Harrison, Ethan Hill, Lauren Hawkins, Jessica Boschen, Nathan Tepper, Daniel Launer, Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal)  
Front row: Laura Delahunty, Luke Adler, Adrian Tobin, Samantha Hemphill, Harrison Tobin, Kieran Delahunty, Matthew Coleman



**2005  
Grades Prep, 1 & 2**

Back row: Baillie Batchelor, Jessica Warrick, Ryan Boschen.

Middle row: Conor Delahunty, Jessica O'Donnell, Andrew Taylor, Justin Hourigan, Georgia Lasslett, Liam Deutscher, Patrick Maher, Bonnie Delahunty, Mrs. Anne Newton (Teacher).

Front row: Denbea McHarry, Charlotte Newell, Grace O'Connor, Catherine Hemphill, Byron Kydd, Kurtis Schodde.



**2005  
Grades 3 & 4**

Back row: Mitchell Delahunty, Jake Lasslett, Thomas Coleman, Timothy Hemphill, Isaac Furfarri-Kerr, Maisie Newell.

Front row: Zac Taylor, Brittany Pickering, Shanae Delahunty, Annabelle Maher, Todd O'Donnell, Claudia Schodde, Miss Penni Bayne (Teacher).



**2005  
Grades 5 & 6**

Front row: Koedy Briggs, Kane Briggs, Matt Coleman, Jake Lasslett, Tom Taylor

Back row: Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal), Brodie Boland, Lauren Hawkins, Kieran Delahunty, Ethan Hill, Laura Delahunty



**2006**

- Back row: Mrs. Nola Hill, Zac Taylor, Todd O'Donnell Troy Lasslett, Brodie Boland, Laura Delahunty, Matt Coleman, Jake Lasslett, C J Hourigan, Isaac Furfari-Kerr, Tom Coleman, Patrick Maher, Mrs. Kerry Mooney
- Middle row: Mrs. Anne Newton, Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal), Jessica Warrick, Jessica O'Donnell, Conor Delahunty, Carol New, Shanae Delahunty, Annabelle Maher, Claudia Schodde, Georgia Lasslett, Maisie Newell, Byron Kydd, Mrs. Penni Abbott
- Sitting: Mrs. Joan Lane-Storey, Bonnie Delahunty, Kalen Webb, Denbea McHarry, Mitchell Delahunty, Charlotte Newell, Richard Maher, Catherine Hemphill, Kurtis Schodde, Raechel O'Donnell, Mrs. Jane Hemphill
- Front row: Baillie Batchelor, Ryan Boschen, Timothy Hemphill, Justin Hourigan, Andrew Taylor, Raymond New



**2007**

- Back row: Jordie Webb, Todd O'Donnell, Troy Lasslett, Brittany Pickering, Shanae Delahunty, Esther Osler-Seymour, Mr. Jason Weir (Teacher), Maisie Newell, Mrs. Kerry Mooney (Teacher Aide), Claudia Schodde, Jessica Warrick, Catherine Hemphill, Justin Hourigan
- 3rd row: Mrs. Anne Newton (Teacher), Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal), C J Hourigan, Mrs. Joan Lane-Storey (School Officer), Zac Taylor, Annabelle Maher, Tom Coleman, Laura Cardell, Timothy Hemphill
- 2nd row: Kurtis Schodde, Corey Chenoweth, Jessica O'Donnell, Finnegan Osler-Seymour, Mitchell Delahunty, Patrick Maher, Isaac Furfari-Kerr, Koedy Briggs, Georgia Lasslett, Baillie Batchelor, Conor Delahunty, Mrs. Jane Hemphill (Librarian), Andrew Taylor, Mr. Peter Amor (Teacher)
- Front row: Byron Kydd, Kalen Webb, Lachie Brown, Raechel O'Donnell, Lachlan Briggs, Denbea McHarry, Richard Maher, Charlotte Newell, Bonnie Delahunty, Jordy Delahunty, Patrick Newell



**2008**

Back row: Charlotte Newell, Richard Maher, Byron Kydd, Kurtis Schodde, Denbea McHarry, Andrew Taylor, Jessica Warrick

3rd row: Mrs. Joan Lane-Storey (School Officer), Mrs. Anne Newton (Teacher), Mrs. Kerry Mooney (Teacher Aide), Patrick Maher, Ryan Boschen, Annabelle Maher, Laura Cardell, Conor Delahunty, Corey Chenoweth, Mrs. Carmel White (Teacher), Mrs. Bernadette Delahunty (Teacher), Miss Melissa Wall (Teacher)

2nd row: Raechel O'Donnell, Baillie Batchelor, Justin Hourigan, Georgia Lasslett, Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal), Zac Taylor, Tom Coleman

Front row: Jessica O'Donnell, Patrick Newell, Ruby Batchelor, Ryan Dannatt, Cayde McAlpine, Kalen Webb, Jordan Delahunty, Bonnie Delahunty

Absent: Isaac Furfari-Kerr



**2009**

Back row: Mrs. Carmel White (Teacher), Mr. Peter Amor (Teacher), Mrs. Anne Newton (Teacher), Andrew Taylor, Patrick Maher, Cory Chenoweth, Conor Delahunty, Jessica O'Donnell, Ryan Boschen, Jessica Warrick, Mrs. Joan Lane-Storey (School Officer), Mrs. Sarah Maher (Admin Assistant), Mrs. Kerry Mooney (Teacher Aide).

Middle row: Chantel Faux, Raechel O'Donnell, Byron Kydd, Richard Maher, Jacinta Faux, Kurtis Schodde, Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal), Baillie Batchelor, Bonnie Delahunty, Seth Gerdtz, Mrs. Bernadette Delahunty (Teacher).

Front row: Jordan Delahunty, Brydei Gerdtz, Ryan Dannatt, Samantha Crawford, Ruby Batchelor, Jessie Delahunty, Imogen Briggs, Cayde McAlpine, Hamish Gerdtz.



**2010**

- Back row: Mrs. Sarah Maher (Admin Assistant), Mrs. Nancie Denman (Teacher), Mrs. Kerry Mooney (Teacher Aide), Chantel Faux, Bonnie Delahunty, Jacinta Faux, Jordy Hamilton, Mia Hamilton, Byron Kydd, Kurtis Schodde, SEMPLISE MUREKEZI, Mrs. Carmel White (Teacher Aide), Mrs. Merrilyn Koch (Librarian).
- 3<sup>rd</sup> row: Richard Maher, Jessica Warrick, Ryan Boschen, Conor Delahunty, Corey Chenoweth, Andrew Taylor, Raechel O'Donnell.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> row: Charlotte Briggs, Zoe Weidemann, Mrs. Joan Lane-Storey (School Officer), Ahren Koch, Jordan Delahunty, Cayde McAlpine, Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal)
- Front row: Jayde Tuthill, Tuskan McAlpine, Imogen Briggs, Samantha Crawford, Jessie Delahunty, Joel Murekezi, Rory Tucker, Noah Hamilton, Patrick Rabl.



**2011**

Back row: Mrs. Nancie Denman (Teacher), Mrs. Anne Newton (Teacher), Bonnie Delahunty, Mrs. Carmel White (Teacher), Chantel Faux, Richard Maher, Raechel O'Donnell, Mia Hamilton, Jordy Hamilton, Byron Kydd, Jacinta Faux, Mrs. Joan Lane-Storey (School Officer), Mrs. Kerry Mooney (Teacher Aide).

Middle row: Samantha Crawford, Ruby Batchelor, Cayde McAlpine, Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal), Jordan Delahunty, Tuskan McAlpine, Jessie Delahunty.

Front row: Rhys Cowper-Schneider, Charlotte Briggs, Anopaishe Mahwendepi, Imogen Briggs, Noah Hamilton, Patrick Rabl

Absent: Justice Clow, Faith Palmer-Clow, Zoe Weidemann



**2012**

Back row: Mrs. Nancie Denman (Teacher), Mrs. Carmel White (Teacher), Mrs. Violet Richards (Teacher Aide), Mrs. Joan Lane-Storey (School Officer), Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal), Mrs. Anne Newton (Teacher).

3rd row: Mrs. Bernadette Delahunty (Teacher), Chantel Faux, Jordan Delahunty, Cayde McAlpine, Eadie Garth-Lindsay, Richard Maher, Ronan Garth-Lindsay, Raechel O'Donnell, Mrs. Sarah Maher (Admin Assistant)

2nd row: Thomas Elliot, Jessie Delahunty, Patrick Rabl, Luke Hart, Imogen Briggs, Samantha Crawford, Tuskan McAlpine, Ruby Batchelor, Oliver Garth-Lindsay, Charlotte Briggs.

Front row: Charley Baker, Jed Warrick, James Finnigan, Riana Warrick, Rhys Cowper-Schneider, Faith Palmer-Clow

Absent: Justice Clow



**2013**

- Back row: Mrs. Veronica Slattery (Principal), Charlotte Briggs, Imogen Briggs, Luke Hart, Justice Clow,  
 4th row: Patrick Rabl, Samantha Crawford, Ruby Batchelor, Tuskan McAlpine, Jessie Delahunty, Mrs. Joan Lane-Storey (School Officer)  
 3rd row: Mrs. Carmel White (Teacher), Mrs. Anne Newton (Teacher), Oliver Garth-Lindsay, Ronan Garth-Lindsay, Brylee Briggs, Cayde McAlpine, Jordan Delahunty, Normie Arnold, Mrs. Violet Richards (Teacher Aide), Mrs. Sarah Maher (Admin Assistant)  
 2nd row: Mrs. Nancie Denman (Teacher), James Finnigan, Faith Palmer-Clow, Thomas Elliot, Zoe Weidemann, Tye Hobson, Mr. Laurie Bester (Teacher)  
 Front row: Rhys Cowper-Schneider, Riana Warrick, Grace Clow, Liam Briggs, Lucas Way, Deegan Wooden-Crow, Jed Warrick, Charley Baker  
 Absent: Jett James



**2014**

Back row: Anne Newton, Gary Typuszak, Joan Lane-Storey, Kristin Starick, Liam Briggs, Jed Warrick, Thomas Elliot, Riana Warrick, Faith Palmer-Clow, Lucas Way, Wendy Nitschke, Violet Richards

3<sup>rd</sup> row: Zoe Weidemann, Charlotte, Briggs, Tuskan McAlpine, Oliver Garth-Lindsay, Cayde McAlpine, Patrick Rabl, Samantha Crawford, Ruby Batchelor

2<sup>nd</sup> row: William Asplin, Kayla Birch, Imogen Briggs, Luke Hart, Dillon Mitchell, James Finnigan, Tye Hobson, Charley Baker, Leteshya Mitchell, Jessie Delahunty

Front row: Banjo Golder, Finnian Delahunty, Hamish Briggs, Grace Clow, Lili Wilson, Heidi Baker, Ivy Jackson, Ruby Wilson,



**2015**

Back row: Tuskan McAlpine, Jessica Delahunty, Samantha Crawford, Patrick Rabl, Justice Clow, Jack Dean

3<sup>rd</sup> row: Joan Lane-Storey, Riana Warrick, Luke Hart, Thomas Elliot, Tye Hobson, Faith Palmer-Clow, Charley Baker, Jed Warrick, Wendy Nitschke

2<sup>nd</sup> row: Sarah Maher, Kristen Starick, Zoe Weidemann, Luke Weidemann, Lucas Way, Dillon Mitchell, James Finnigan, Alex Dean, Lili Wilson, Ruby Wilson, Leteshya Mitchell, Ella Birch, Carmel White Anne Newton

Front row: Lili Hobson, Max Finnigan, Ivy Jackson, Grace Clow, Shanyka Mitchell, Heidi Baker, William Asplin, Maddison Asplin, Kayla Birch, Finn Delahunty, Banjo Golder



**2016**

Back row: Joan Lane-Storey, Jacinta McAlpine, Alex Dean, Zoe Weidemann, Patrick Rabl, Luke Hart, Jack Dean, Thomas Elliot, Tye Hobson, Brenton Foott, Sarah Maher

3<sup>rd</sup> row: Charley Baker, Jed Warrick, Dillon Mitchell, James Finnigan, Riana Warrick, Lucas Way, Leteshya Mitchell

2<sup>nd</sup> row: Carmel White, Anne Newton, Wendy Nitschke, Finnan Delahunty, Luke Weidemann, Lili Wilson, Ruby Wilson, Maddison Asplin, William Asplin, Lili Hobson, Nadja Typusak, Gary Typusak

Front row: Rhys Cowper-Schneider, Poppy Golder, Hamish Briggs, Max Finnigan, Kodee Mitchell, Heidi Baker, Kayla Birch, Chloe Richards, Banjo Golder, Navraj Dhillon, Shanyka Mitchell



**2017**

Back row: Brenton Foott, Carmel White, Ruby Wilson, Riana Warrick, James Finnigan, Luke Hart, Thomas Elliot, Tye Hobson, Dillon Mitchell, Lili Wilson, Charley Baker, Jed Warrick, Jacinta McAlpine, Gary Typuszak

2<sup>nd</sup> row: Violet Richards, Sarah Maher, Joan Lane-Storey, Kodee Mitchell, Shanyka Mitchell, Maddison Asplin, Leteshya Mitchell, Luke Weidemann, Lucas Way Heidi Baker, Chloe Richards, Navraj Dhillon, Finnian Delahunty, Anne Newton, Wendy Nitschke

Front row: Banjo Golder, Max Finnigan, Sienna Finnigan, Maeve Delahunty, Eliza-Jane Greenhalgh, Rhys Cowper-Schneider, Poppy Golder, Ella Birch, Hamish Briggs, Kayla Birch



**2018**

Back row: Thomas Elliot, James Finnigan, Jed Warrick, Rianna Warrick, Sarah Maher

3<sup>rd</sup> row: Jacinta McAlpine, Anne Newton, Luke Weidemann, Leteshya Mitchell, Charley Baker, Lucas Way, Heidi Baker, Heather Robinson-Bush, James Webb

2<sup>nd</sup> row: Cathy Grace, Carmel White, Joan Lane-Storey, Toby Baker, Finnian Delahunty, Maddison Asplin, Shanyka Mitchell, Navraj Dhillon, Kodee Mitchell, Chloe Richards, Max Finnigan, Kathleen Julian

Front row: Rhys Cowper-Schneider, Kaden Thomas, Marie Charlotte Bousac, Eimer Delahunty, Hunter Stephenson, Maddison Kraulins, Sienna Finnigan, Maeve Delahunty, Indyanha Mitchell, Edward Frost



**2019**

- Back row: Luke Weidemann, Heather Robinson-Bush, Kodee Mitchell, Carmel White, Joan Lane-Storey, Shanyka Mitchell, Lucas Way, Xeno Aroza, Leteshya Mitchell, Matilda Horvat, Glenn Critchley
- 3<sup>rd</sup> row: Toby Baker, Chloe Richards, Heidi Baker, Finnian Delahunty, Maddison Asplin, Navraj Dhillon, Max Finnigan, Debbie Schultz, Sarah Maher, Anne Newton
- 2<sup>nd</sup> row: Bridie Curran, Charlotte Bousac, Sienna Finnigan, Oleighvah Mitchell, Cathy Grace, Eddie Frost, Hunter Stephenson
- Front row: Indyanha Mitchell, Eimer Delahunty, Maddison Kraulins, Andre Bousac, Maeve Delahunty, Kaden Thomas, Kirat Dhillon, Nihal Dhillon



**2020**

Back row: Glenn Critchley, Finnian Delahunty, Heidi Baker, Navraj Dhillon, Xena Aroza, Kodee Mitchell, Shanyka Mitchell, Maddison Asplin, Matilda Horvat  
 3<sup>rd</sup> row: Heather Robinson-Bush, Sarah Briggs, Hamish Briggs, Max Finnigan, Chloe Richards, Toby Baker, Sienna Finnigan, Oleighvah Mitchell, Fr Peter Hudson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> row: Joan Lane-Storey, Bridie Curran, Maeve Delahunty, Kirat Dhillon, Cathy Grace, Kaden Thomas, Hunter Stephenson, Indyanha Nihal Dhillon, Eimer Delahunty, Anne Newton, Debbie Schultz  
 Front row: Edward Frost, Axel Trotter, Jed Baker, Marie Charlotte Bousac, Andre Bousac, Luca Johnson



**2021**

Back row: Maddison Asplin, Luke Weidemann, Matilda Horvat, Shanyka Mitchell, Navraj Dhillon, Kodee Mitchell

3<sup>rd</sup> row: Glenn Critchley, Hunter Stephenson, Chloe Richards, Toby Baker, Max Finnigan, Sienna Finnigan, Anne Newton, Sarah Maher, Bridie Curran, Cathy Grace

2<sup>nd</sup> row: Heather Robinson-Bush, Debbie Schultz, Marie Charlotte, Boussac, Eimer Delahunty, Indyanha Mitchell, Kaken Thomas, Sarah Briggs, Maeve Delahunty

Front row: Theodore Stephenson, Kirat Dhillon, Luca Johnson, Jed Baker, Ruby Allan, Oleighvah, Axel Trotter, Nihal Dhillon, Andre Boussac



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Back row: Sienna Finnigan, Navraj Dhillon, Chloe Richards, Madelyn Telpuk

3<sup>rd</sup> row: Cathy Grace, Maeve Delahunty, Kaden Thomas, Nathan Telpuk, Eliza-Jane Greenhalgh, Joan Lane-Storey

2<sup>nd</sup> row: David Anderson, Georgia Kirby, Jed Baker, Eimer Delahunty, Nihal Dhillon, Hunter Stephenson, Marie Charlotte Boussac, Heather Robinson-Bush, Sarah Maher

Front row: Bridie Curran, Kirat Dhillon, Theodore Stephenson, Axel Trotter, Ruby Allan, Andre Boussac, Luca Johnson, Bethany-Rose Greenhalgh, Anne Newton



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Back row: Jordan Collie, Sienna Finnigan, Glenn Critchley, Eliza-Jane Greenhalgh, Maeve Delahunty, Jed Baker, Kaden Thomas, Hunter Stephenson  
 3<sup>rd</sup> row: Cathy Grace, Jessica Bedford, Marie Charlotte Boussac, Luca Johnson, Ruby Allan, Eimer Delahunty, Nihal Dhillon, Andre Boussac, Bethany-Rose Greenhalgh,  
 2<sup>nd</sup> row: Bridie Curran, Sarah Maher, Irene Maria Jojo, Lane-Storey, Anne Newton  
 Front row: Harriett Oram. Theodore Stephenson. Zahlee Johnson. Harrison Allan. Addison Roll. Kirat Dhillon



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